## VENTRICULAR ASSIST DEVICE (VAD) Miami Jackson Miami Transplant Institute Initial Assessment Establish and maintain a patent airway Administer Supplemental Oxygen **Contact VAD Coordinator** Contact FAO for number Unable to contact VAD Coordinator contacted: Identify the Controller Identify the Controller Locate the color-coded guide Locate the color-coded guide Follow instructions on the guide to: 3. Follow online medical control Secure all connections instructions **Change Batteries Change Controller** Establish IV Access Perform 12 lead ECG Treat signs and symptoms as indicated **Transport to Ryder Trauma Center** When to perform CPR: CPR must be considered a LAST RESORT for VAD patients. Only when connections are confirmed to be secure, battery replacement fails and the secondary controller fails is CPR an option. When this occurs, and the patient is unresponsive, pulseless, and apneic AND there is no activity auscultated from

the device follow (PROTOCOL 9) and attempt resuscitation.